UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

No. 04-CR-10065-MLW

UNITED STATES

v.

CLARENCE EARLE

DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR HEARING WITH COURT REGARDING QUESTION OF COUNSEL

The defendant Clarence Earle, by his counsel, moves that the Court convene a hearing prior to his sentencing regarding the question of counsel. In support of this motion, the defendant states that serious differences have emerged between counsel and the defendant, and the defendant wishes to raise those concerns with the Court. Counsel suggests that it would be appropriate to exclude the Assistant U.S. Attorney from that part of the hearing when the defendant addresses the Court.

> Respectfully submitted The defendant Clarence Earle By his attorney

/s/ Charles W. Rankin

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/s/ Charles W. Rankin

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